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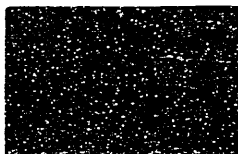
1. WE ARE REPEATING TO YOU TWO MESSAGES REPORTING
AMBASSADOR NEUMANN'S CONVERSATIONS WITH AFGHAN PRESIDENT
DAUD AND HIS BROTHER NAIM. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED DRAW ON
THEM AS APPROPRIATE IN YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH NEPALESE
FOREIGN MINISTER, WITH DUE REGARD FOR SENSITIVITIES
INVOLVED IN THESE INITIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH LEADERS
OF NEW REGIME.

2. OUR INFORMATION IS FRANKLY STILL LIMITED AS TO
PERSONALITIES INVOLVED IN SUPPORT OF DAUD AND EVEN LESS ON
THOSE LIKELY PLAY PROMINENT ROLE IN NEW GOVERNMENT. IT
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CONTINUES TO BE OUR VIEW THAT AT OUTSET AT LEAST POLICIES OF NEW REGIME WILL BE AUTHORITARIAN, CONSERVATIVE, NATIONALIST, AND PURITANICAL IN NATURE. AS FOR FOREIGN POLICY, WE HAVE AT THIS POINT IN TIME NO BASIS ON WHICH TO QUESTION THOSE POSITIONS EXPRESSED BY DAUD AND NAIM TO AMBASSADOR NEUMANN. ROGERS

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